

Curling Club Is Organized Here

Organ Fund Is Swelled By Well Attended Supper

Over five hundred people of Raymond and district were served and enjoyed a delicious supper Wednesday in the Opera House.

Funds obtained from the supper will go towards the purchase of a new organ to be installed in the Stake House here.

The Raymond 1st and 4th wards were responsible for the supper and the good ladies of the ward prepared and served it.

The people of the district are to be congratulated on their willing response to the organ fund.

Officials hope that a Hammond organ will be in Raymond for the May conference.



Miss Maurine Hirsche has had as her guests, for the past week, Gerry and Stan Houston and Don Larson, all of Provo.

Melvin Seeley, who has been a student at the Calgary Tech school this past winter, has finished his course and has returned home.

On Tuesday evening a capacity crowd thoroughly enjoyed the Three Act Comedy "Growing Pains", presented by the M.I.A. Theatre Group. Mrs. Harold Christensen directed the play and although the exceptionally large cast was made up mostly of teenagers who had had little or no previous experience, they presented an evening of fine entertainment.

The local Lions held their regular meeting on Wednesday evening. M. T. King of Raymond was guest speaker and gave a very interesting and informative talk.

On Saturday evening, at the Recreation hall a delightful birthday party was held, honoring Mrs. Eliza Brandley on her eightieth birthday. Approximately one hundred relatives and guests attended and were served a delicious luncheon. The tables were especially attractive with low bowls of red tulips and roses as table decorations. Mrs. Earl Nelson Luella Brandley and Delight Proctor were in charge.

After the luncheon a variety program was enjoyed with Louis Brandley as Master of Ceremonies. Members of each family contributed appropriate numbers.

The honored guest received many beautiful gifts from her family and friends. Guests were present from Medicine Hat, Calgary, Lethbridge, Rosemary, Raymond and Wrentham.

Members of the Hi-School dramatics class motored to Raymond on Saturday evening to participate in a program sponsored by the Raymond Lions Club.

At the Sunday evening church service an excellent program was given by the leaders and members of the L.D.S. Girls Group. A large choir consisting of the boys and girls of the ward furnished special music. Talks were given by the Girl's Leader, Ellen Nelson, Albert Brandley, Margaret Perrett and daughter Margaret, Rose Marie Jacobs, Enid Proctor and Twila Seeley. After the program individual awards were presented by Bishop Erickson to twenty-two girls as recognition for special church activity. Each girl was also presented with a lovely corsage. After the service the girls and their mothers were invited to the church hall where they were entertained by the Leaders.

Mac's Meat Market Now Operating

A new business has been operating the past two weeks in the Raymond Cold storage building.

Kieth McBride, son of Mr. and Mrs. Parley McBride has opened a butcher shop in the front part of the cold storage building. Kieth was formerly employed at the Central Meat Market and from there went to Ardson where he was employed in a meat market there.

Mac's Meat Market as the new business will be known presents a very neat, and clean appearance with a good selection of meat on hand.

Helen Orgill Publishes New Book

Helen K. Orgill, a former Raymond resident, now living in Hawthorne, California, has just completed her

latest novel, "Journey Triumphant", a novelette of the Hand Cart Companies of 1856.

She has also succeeded in interesting Mr. Darryl Zanuck of 20th Century Fox Studios in the material for an epic movie, and he has requested copies of the book as soon as it is published.

Helen K. Orgill is enjoying good success in the field of authors and this book is not her first work.

The success of people of Raymond and district, no matter where they may be, is always welcome news and we wish Mrs. Orgill all continued success in her work.

NOTICE TO ALL ROTARIANS

At the regular meeting of the Rotary Club, Monday 19th, arrangements have been made for special speakers one of whom will be A. E. Palmer of Lethbridge. All Rotarians are requested to be present.

We follow the train of events when we could be the engine driver.

Men don't act on being informed but on being inspired.

Local Happenings

You don't know what you missed if you didn't attend the two one-act plays entitled "The Twelve Pound Club" and "Soap Opera" presented by the Fourth ward Mutual under the direction of Phillipa Meeks and Kay Rolison. When these two comedies were finished there wasn't a dry lace on any of the ladies handkerchiefs and were barely any stitches. Congratulations are due to each and every member of the cast and those usually forgotten property men.

Jack Coombs of Rosemary was a Raymond visitor over the week end at the home of his sister Mrs. Dean Larson.

The Friday Night Club met last week at the home of Mrs. Lettie Litchfield with Mrs. Myrtle Williams as assistant hostess. By special request Mrs. C. R. Wing gave a very interesting review choosing as her book "The Trial of Soren Quist" by Janet Lewis. The evening concluded with a delicious lunch served by the hostesses.

Miss Jean Cooper was hostess to the Business Girls Club which met at her home last week. During the evening a birthday gift was presented to Miss Hazel Cooper.

Gray Kirkham, of Edmonton visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kirkham over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Holmes were Calgary visitors over the weekend going to visit their new grandson. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kearsley nee Marilyn Holmes, are the happy parents.

The Misses Shirley Harker and Peggy Card are home from Olds

where they attended the School of Agriculture the past season.

Ted Allan left Monday for Lethbridge where he has accepted a position as salesman for the Scott Fruit Company. Harris Hall is filling the vacancy on the staff of the Mercantile Grocery Department.

Mrs. LaRosa Kirkham entertained members of the Hide-A-Wee Club at Kensington on Friday evening.

Mrs. Lucille Tillack of Rosemary is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Parley McBride.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Witbeck and small son are leaving Raymond soon to make their home in Warner.

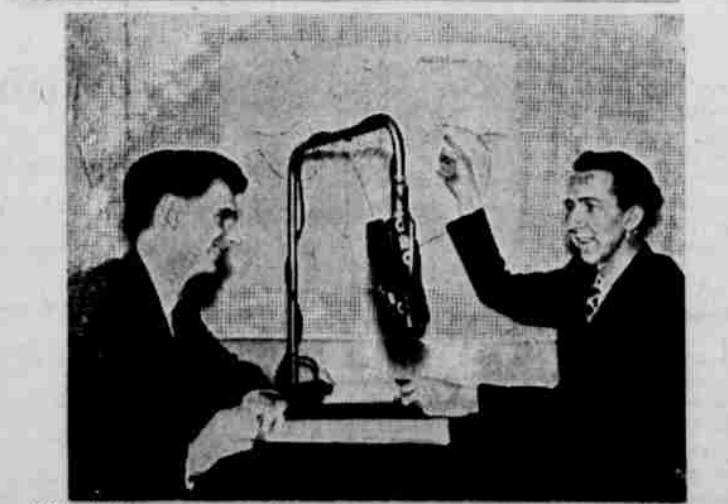
Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gough returned at the weekend from Salt Lake where they attended the I.D.S. Conference.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Low have as their guest Mrs. Low's mother Mrs. Jean Munroe of Calgary who will visit here for some time.

Mrs. Dorothy Dahl was hostess to the Midland Library Club Monday evening. After an interesting book review, "Came A Cavalier", by Mrs. Dorothy Pearson, a dainty lunch was served.

Mrs. Joyce Leavitt and small son of Edmonton are visiting in Raymond.

The Birthday Club honored one of its members Mrs. Ada Orgill Thursday evening at her home. A pleasant social evening was spent and a lovely birthday gift was presented to Mrs. Orgill.



"Watch this map and I'll explain why we had that sunny weekend." Gil Clarke (right) of the Dominion Public Weather Service, tells Bill Bessy, CBC announcer, just before a broadcast of Clarke's weekly program, "Clearing Up The Weather." (Saturdays at 4:00 p.m. on stations of the Trans-Canada network). The weatherman refers to this meteorological map on each broadcast.

The West Pays The Freight

An editorial in the Brooks Bulletin

The Board of transport commissioners has granted the railways an increase of 21 percent in freight rates. This will apply to almost everything carried by the roads except grain. The increase will mean about \$70 millions more a year in the way of freight costs. Western Canada will pay most of that increase. The West always pays the freight. It pays on the products it ships out and it pays on the goods it ships in.

Heavy transportation is the main factor in encouraging the development of a new country. The west has been unfortunate in that respect. The prairies provide a natural monopoly for the railroads. We have no great navigable rivers like the Mississippi, the St. Lawrence, the Amazon, the Rhine, the Danube, and Volga and the Nile. We are at the mercy of the railroads.

Railway rates are lower in Eastern Canada than in the West. This is due to the competition of lake and river shipping, motor trucks and competitive lines. To illustrate we cite but two examples of rates that could be listed.

From Vernon, B.C. to Calgary is 354 miles and it costs \$1.04 per 100 pounds of fruit shipped.

From Oakville, Ontario, to Montreal is 356 miles and it costs 45¢ per 100 pounds of fruit shipped.

From Windsor, Ontario to Winnipeg it costs \$92.50 for freight on a certain make of auto.

From Windsor to Halifax, (about the same distance) the cost is \$50.

The railways make twice the profit out of operating in Western Canada than they do in Eastern Canada. From 1907 to 1945 the Canadian Pacific Railway made a profit of \$261 millions in the East and \$753 millions in the West. It should be noted too, that the freight traffic is denser in the East than in the West and the hauls there are shorter than the hauls in the West. Furthermore, railways construction costs were lower in the West and the flat prairie lands make operations costs lower here.

Eastern Canada did not oppose the application for increased freight rates. Why should the Easterners do so? It is no "skin off their backs". In fact it helps out business there for more money will pour into the head offices of the railways in the East. Farmers will be interested to know that organized labor did not come to their aid either. In fact one labor leader said he thought the rates should go up to 30 percent, as the railways requested in the first instance. The annual railway labor bill has been increased by about \$220 million a year, above the 1939 total.

The worst feature is that once the new rates are established, they will

never come down. Such rates do not move up and down like the price of grain, and other farm products. It will cost as much to ship cattle if the price goes down to 5¢ a pound as it does at a price of 15¢.

There was no increase granted on the transportation of grain. That fact is being trumpeted. But grain rates are established by law, under the Crownstest Pags Agreement, and cannot be changed unless by parliamentary action. Any government which tampers with the Crownstest Pass agreement would never elect many members in the prairie provinces.

Just what can be done about this constant exploitation of the West? We don't know the answer. It may come someday in a tornado of protest that will shake the whole basis of confederation. The western bronco will stand for only so many kicks in the ribs!

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Wedding Bells

A wedding of interest to residents of Raymond and district took place recently when Joyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Takaguchi of Wellington and Tosh Sarawatar, son of Raymond were united in marriage Mr. and Mrs. George Sarawatar of the Raymond Buddhist Temple, with Rev. S. Ikuta officiating.

The bride was lovely in her gown of white satin with flowing train. Her misty embroidered veil was floor length and she carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations centred with an orchid.

She was attended by her sister Taeko who was attired in blue taffeta gown. Sakoe Sarawatar attended his brother.

For going away the bride wore a sky blue dress with grey coat and hat with matching accessories. After a honeymoon in Calgary Mr. and Mrs. Sarawatar will reside in Raymond where the groom is engaged in farming.

Interprovincial Basketball

Interprovincial basketball play-downs are scheduled for next Tuesday and Wednesday, April 20 and 21.

The first game of a two game total point series between the Magrath Lions and the Vancouver Cloverleafs will be held in Magrath on Tuesday evening, April 20 at 9:00 p.m.

The second game will be played on the Opera House floor on Wednesday, April 21.

The Magrath Lions are the Alberta Senior champs having taken the southern series and entering the interprovincial playdowns through the algarly team stepping down in favor of Magrath. The Vancouver team are the B.C. finalists and are a strong team. These games should be very interesting and some fine ball playing done. Good luck Magrath.

Reserved seats are now on sale for both games in Magrath.

Raymond Girl Appointed To Choir

IDAHO STATE COLLEGE — Miss Adrienne Layne will be one of the 65 members of the Idaho State College a cappella choir who will make the seven city tour of southern Idaho April 13 and 14. Directed by Wesley M. Harris, the choir will present a program of sacred, popular and modern secular music in concerts at American Falls, Rupert, Burley, Buhl, Wendell, Gooding and Shoshone. Climaxing the tour, a concert will be given by the choir April 29 at Pocatello.

Miss Layne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Layne of Raymond, Alberta.

NEWS NOTES

Miss Nova O'Brien had as her house guest this week, her former missionary companion, Miss Arvilla Smith of Champlin, Monday evening. Miss O'Brien entertained for her guest when an enjoyable social evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Meldrum entertained members and their partners of the Library and School Board after the library meeting held at their home Tuesday evening. Several tables of rook were in play. Mrs. Dorothy Dahl and Athol Cooper were high scores with consolation going to Mrs. Athol Cooper and Jack Evans. Mrs. Meldrum later served a delicious lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Allred returned home Wednesday from a visit with relatives in Utah.

The ladies of the United Church Women's Institute are sponsoring a Tea and Bazaar this Saturday in the United Church. Tickets are now on sale or may be purchased at the door on Saturday.